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SUBJ: EMBASSY'S SEPT 16 PROTEST ABOUT ROUGHING UP OF CORRESPONDENTS

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1. DURING SEPT 30 CALL AT MFA I ASKED MIKHAYLOV, ACTING CHIEF OF USA DIVISION, FOR RESPONSE TO SEPT 16 PROTEST ABOUT ROUGHING UP OF US CORRESPONDENTS AT SEPT 15 ART SHOW CLOSING.

2. ALLUDING TO SUCCESSFUL AND PEACEFUL SEPT 29 EXHIBIT (REF C) MIKHAYLOV SMILED AND ASKED "DIDN'T YOU NOTICE ANY CONSEQUENCES?" I ACKNOWLEDGED HIS ALLUSION AND WELCOMED FACT THAT SEPT 29 SHOWING WAS WITHOUT INCIDENT, AND REITERATED THAT THRUST OF OUR PROTEST WAS USE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST U.S. JOURNALISTS AND IN-ACTION OF MILITIA.

3. MIKHAYLOV SAID HE WAS NOT SURE MILITIA HAD BEEN AWARE WHAT WAS HAPPENING. HE SAID MFA WAS CONTINUING TO INVESTIGATE MATTER, AND THERE WERE SEVERAL QUESTIONS--INCLUDING CONDUCT OF EMBASSY STAFF AND CORRESPONDENTS. BEHAVIOR OF SOME OF "YOUR PEOPLE" WAS NOT IMPECCABLE OR IRREPROACHABLE (BEZUPRECHNIY). THERE WAS SOME DOUBT WHETHER THEIR PRESENCE WAS MOTIVATED BY DESIRE TO SEE EXHIBIT OR ANTI-SOVIET INCIDENT. MIKHAYLOV NOTED HE DID NOT, OF COURSE, APPROVE

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OF VIOLENCE IN ANY EVENT.

4. I REITERATED THAT EXHIBIT WAS OF REAL AND LEGITIMATE INTEREST TO CORRESPONDENTS AND EMBASSY STAFF, AND I HAD TO REJECT SUGGESTION THEY WENT TO SITE WITH SOMETHING ELSE IN MIND.

5. AFTER MEETING I AND EMBOFF WERE ESCORTED OUT BY USA DIVISION JUNIOR OFFICER YU. S. KAPRALOV, WHO HAD TAKEN NOTES. EMBOFF ASKED KAPRALOV IF HE HAD ATTENDED EXHIBIT. KAPRALOV SAID HE HAD NOT, BUT HEARD IT WAS SUCCESSFUL ON THE RADIO-"YOUR RADIO, VOA."
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